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FARM ADVISER LEE TELLS OF STATE CONFERENCE OF THE FARM BUREAU ENDING WITH WEEK AUTOMOBILE TOUR

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By Mark A. W. Lee, Farm Adviser for Alameda County.

The biggest event of the farming year has come, and while the event has passed the good work that it has started will live through the year tending to create a bigger, better, larger and freerer country life. What is the event that could cause all this? It was the first annual conference of the California Farm Bureau

On Sunday evening, February 18th, all the farm advisers, and assistant farm advisers and boys' agricultural club men of the state of California, and directors from each county in which there is an organized farm bureau, gathered at the Hotel Shattuck in Berkeley. There these men were met by members of the faculty of the College of Agriculture and a general "get acquainted" meeting was held. President Benjamin I. Wheeler gave an address of welcome. Dean T. F. Hunt told of the purpose of the conference.

Monday morning at 8 o'clock the cnventin convened at Agricultural hall. Prof B. H. Crocheron, state leader, issued badges to each member of the conference and gave instructions as to the course to be pursued in the running off the trip on schedule time. At half past eight the machines of the farm advisers and assistant farm advisers lined up in the order in which they arrived. When everything was in readiness the bugle was blown and the trip started amid the blowing of horns of the Dodge Cars and Saxons and the buzzing of the Klaxons of the Fords.

Going out through West Berkeley, Albany and Richmond via the State Highway to the Martinez ferry the nineteen machines were all loaded on the Martinez-Benicia ferry and at 11 o'clock Solano county was entered. The rest of the day was spent visiting demonstrations in various parts of the county. The first stop was at Benicia where the results of spraying with distillate on wild artichokes was observed. Leaving there Suisun was reached at noon, at which place Farm Advisor J. W Mills gave a lecture on the various types of agriculture carried on in his county and the location of each of the various types. From his office the procession went through the Vaca Valley, stopping at various demonstrations of the use of fertilizers and cover crops and demonstrations of the new type of side grafting. In the evening the convention attended a meeting of the Fairfield Center of the Solano County Farm Bureau, and listened to a lecture on Road Side Tree Planting, by the farm adviser. The center had arranged a musical program which was enjoyed by the members of the conference.

Tuesday morning they left Suisun at 8 o'clock for Napa. Owing to the muddy roads the procession was somewhat delayed and it was therefore necessary to miss a few of the demonstrations which Mr. H. J. Baade, farm adviser, had arranged to be visited. After inspecting the farm adviser's office and listening to a talk on various types of agriculture and the districts in which these types are carried on in Napa county, the members of the conference were provided with a basket luncheon by the women of the County Farm Bureau, and the tour of inspection was started. The following demonstrations were visited. The various types of Dairy Barns; Drainage system laid out and constructed by the Napa County Farm Bureau; Septic tanks, of which the farm adviser has caused one hundred and sixty-seven to be constructed in his county; Fertilized demonstrations; Tree Surgery; and Pruning demonstrations, and probably the most important of all, the Jefferson School, at which, time was taken for luncheon. This school has been remodeled following Mr. Baade's suggestion; cross lights have been done away with; a new system of ventilation and heating; new boys and girls' cloak rooms, and a library room constructed; the kinds of desks changed and all at a cost of between $250 and $300. Late in the afternoon the Napa State Hospital Dairy Farm was visited. In the evening the meeting of the Mt. George center of the Napa County Farm Bureau was attended. This center is one of the most prosperous centers in the state having built their meeting house. They entertained the members of the conference by starting off with a good banquet and winding up with a musical and literary program.

Wednesday morning the start was made for the University Farm at Davis in Yolo county which was reached at noon. A tour of the farm was made. At 2 o'clock the procession started for Wodland where Mr. N. P. Searles, the farm adviser of Yolo county, gave a talk on the agriculture in his county, after which a start was made to visit various demonstrations, but owing to the strong wind and heavy rainfall but one demonstration, that of Tennessee Winter Barley was visited. At 6 o'clock the members of the conference sat down to a splendid banquet which was served by the Board of Trade and the Farm Bureau. At 8 o'clock it was necessary to break away from the enjoyable time that the conference was having at Woodland and go to the center meeting of the Yolo County Farm Bureau. After the meeting the conference was again entertained with a musical and literary program, after which the center served a midnight luncheon.

Thursday morning the conference left Woodland for Glenn county. On the way a stop was made to visit one of Mr. Searles' demonstrations, grape prunings. This demonstration shows clearly the benefits the farm adviser was doing for his county, for one could stand at this place and look for miles around and everywhere see that the farms were changed from stake pruning their Thompson seedless and Sultana raisin grapes to the trellis method. At noon a stop was made at Woodland where the Chamber of Commerce served a sumptuous turkey luncheon. The afternoon was spent in visiting demonstrations through various parts of the county, which showed the work that Mr. W. H. Heileman, farm adviser of Glenn county, had been doing. The members of the conference were intensely interested in the Orland project which was inspected. Supper was served to the conference by the Orland Farm Bureau, which in addition to a splendid feed had arranged a very enjoyable program. At 8:30 that evening Orland was left and the conference proceeded to Chico where a stop for the night was made.

When Chico was left Friday morning at 8 o'clock the wind was blowing a forty-mile gale and there was a steady downpour of rain. In spite of this weather condition, a detour was made and the U. S. Government Rice Experiment Station was visited.

The next stop was at Gridley where a lantern slide lecture on farm adviser work was given by Prof. B. H. Crocheron, to acquaint the farmers of Butte county with this work and help them in the forming of a farm bureau. At noon a stop was made at Marysville where the Chamber of Commerce served a luncheon. Several talks were given there to encourage the Yuba county people in forming a farm bureau. Owing to weather conditions no stops were made after this, until Auburn, Placer county, was reached about 5 o'clock. Unfortunately it was necessary to miss the demonstrations which Mr. E. O. Amundsen, farm adviser of Placer county, had outlined. However, one stop was made at the site of the Mt. Pleasant Center of the Placer County Farm Bureau is to build their meeting house. At 6 o'clock the start was made for Auburn to the Mt. Vernon Center meeting hall which was reached after slipping and sliding through six miles of Placer county mud. However, the bad roads were forgotten when the splendid spread which this center had prepared was seen through the open doors. After a most interesting farm center meeting the floor was cleared and dancing was started. At midnight another luncheon was served and the dance went on until morning. However, very few of the members of the conference stayed for the dance as by this time they were pretty well tired out by the long hours in the machines.

Saturday morning Auburn was left and after going down the Ridge Road, on both sides of which the deciduous orchards of Placer county, and the work of the farm adviser in tree pruning and cover crop growing could be seen.

At Sacramento the Chamber of Commerce and the Sacramento County Farm Bureau gave a spread at the Travelers' Hotel. At 2 o'clock Sacramento was left and the conference proceeded to Stockton where a stop of a half hour was made to meet with the San Joaquin County Farm Bureau directors was made. At 5 o'clock Alameda county was reached and at 6 o'clock the members of the conference sat down to the last banquet of the tour, furnished by the Alameda County Farm Bureau at Livermore. After the dinner the directors from each county spoke of the things they had seen and heard, or which most impressed them. Review of all the stories that had been sprung on the trip and all the songs that had been sung were gone through with. At 9 o'clock after an expression of regrets that the conference could not have lasted much longer and the assurance of unfailing support and good wishes for the success of the Farm Bureau movements in California the conference came to a close and was adjourned after singing America.

Those who were present at the conference were Mr. W. A. Lloyd who has charge of the States Relations Service in the 33 Northern and Western states, Mr Coert DuBois,, district forester, Mr. Hill, farm management expert of the U. S. D. A., and about forty directors from the various farm bureaus of the state, State Leader B. H. Cocheron, Dean T. F Hunt, Dean H. T. Van Norman, the two assistant state leaders Mr. W. B. Parker and C. W. Rubel, fourteen farm advisers, four assistant farm advisers, and three assistants in Boys' Club work The directors who represented Alameda County were E. G Young of Livermore, Henry May, of Decoto and W. C. Graham of Newark.

Hi School Notes

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Washington and Oakland high school baseball teams cross bats this Saturday at the high school grounds in Centerville. The local team this year is captained by T. Perry. Copeland is manager. The boys apparently have a good team and expect to put up a strong fight for the C. A C. A. L. championship.

The first league game is to be played Saturday the 10th of March in Centerville, when Washington and Hayward high school teams encounter.

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SCRUB-JUNIOR TRACK MEET.

The Scrubs and Juniors are to furnish the first event on the track calendar, in a meet to be held in the near future, weather permitting. So far this season no training has been done, although the final C. A. C. A. L. meet is only about two months away. The boys have every facility for track work, and with practice there is no reason in the way of their developing a first rate team.

WILL HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING

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The regular meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce will be held in the fire house this coming Tuesday evening and it is hoped that a good attendance will be present The election of officers and many other matters of importance are scheduled to take place during the evening.

The regular March meeting of the Country Club will be held next Tuesday, March 6th, at the club house in Centerville. The time allotted to the program will be given up to reports from the delegates who attended the Alameda District Federation meeting held recently.

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COMES TO COURT TO DEFEND HIS INJURED REPUTRTION

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Justice J. G. Mattos. court at CenWednesday morning by the appearance terville was enlivened considerably on of Manuel Machado of Alviso. Mr. Machado, who is a well known and respected citizen of the community, had a serious complaint to make.

A week ago J. Mathias had been handed a "ten dollar plaster" by Judge Mattos to cure him of the habit of swearing every time he had coughed. He had been arrested for using profane language. His defense was that he had a cold and couldn't avoid using forceful expletives when he had to cough. Judge Mattos told him to "try a ten dollar plaster" in fining him.

Naturally the incident was reported in the city papers. Only the reporter or somebody in the district attorney's office made a mistake and substituted Mr. Machado's name for that of Mathias. Naturally Machado resented being kidded by his neighbors. So he came to court and complained

Hence this explanation on our part of an unintentional injury by the city papers of an innocent man's reputation.

The delegation of speeders this week was not as large as usual, and most of the cases were quite commonplace. J. W. Berge put up a rather strong defense. He was arrested for speeding while in pursuit of the copper thieves who have been creating some disturbance by cutting telephone wire for their own use. Berge is a lineman and he was arrested while trying to apprehend the criminals. His case was continued one week.

MANAGER REED COMING TO NILES

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The Men's League has been exceedingly fortunate in securing Mr. Thomas H. Reed of San Jose for an address in the First Congregational Church, Niles, on Sunday evening, March 11th. Mr. Reed was formerly professor of Political Science at the University of California When the city of San Jose voted to have the City Manager plan of administration the position was proferred to Professor Reed who accepted, at a salary of $6000 a year. Mr. Reed's first act in office saved to the city his entire salary.

During the eight months of his administration he has met and overcome a great deal of opposition on the part of disgruntled politicians, and is making of the city an example in efficient management.

Mr. Reed will tell of the problems he is confronting which will be of great interest to his hearers. He is an exceedingly forceful and interesting speaker, having been often chosen to give commencement addresses for educational institutions all over the state. The meeting will be held at 7:30, and all are invited to be present. Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Tyson have been secured to furnish music for the occasion.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION.

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We are taking the liberty to publish the following letter from the Juvenile Protective Association, formerly the Juvenile Court Auxiliary of San Francisco. The officers of the association are: Mrs. George H. Irving, president; Mrs. M. M. Fitzgerald, first vice-president; Mrs. Louis Hertz, second vice-president; Mrs. J. Molloy, treasurer; Mrs. F. M. Hallett, secretary The association has headquarters in the Phelan Building, and will undoubtedly appreciate any information that may be supplied by ny of our readers. The letter is as follows:

1022 Phelan Building, San Francisco, Feb. 23, 1917.

Mr. Chris Runckel, Editor Washington Press, Niles, Cal.

My dear Mr. Runckel: We wish to send you a word of appreciation for your article on Child Labor, which appeared in the Washington Press during the celebration of the National Child Labor Days last month.

This association is greatly interested in the child labor problem. Through the chairman of the Child Labor Committee, Mrs. Bert Schlesinger, two six months studies have been made of "Children who follow the Fruit", leaving this city for the country about February and remaining away until October No doubt you have met with numbers of these families in your section of the country.

Wee shall be very glad to hear from you of any conditions relative to the same and thanking you for your interest in children. Yours very truly,

JUVENILE PROTECTIVE ASS'N.

May F. Hallett, Secretary.

Mrs. C. Slayton

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Another pioneer of Washington Township passed away last week, in the death of Mrs. Clara Slayton, in Berkeley, February 21, of pneumonia.

Mrs. Slayton was born in Flat Rock, Michigan, March 17, 1852. Her father traveled across the plains when she was eight years old and the family settled in Stony Brook Canyon. Her great-grandfather, Abram Clark, was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and was called "the poor man's lawyer". In the year of 1870 she married the late Osman O. Slayton. For a number of years they lived on the Slayton place near Niles on the road to Mission San Jose.

Mrs. Slayton was a woman of sincere life and simple tastes, and was known as an earnest Christian worker. She is survived by eight children: Leah Chapman, Osman Slayton, Elizabeth Mackintosh, Grace Sutherland, Nina Slayton, Walter Slayton, Lucile More and Ada Coburn.

The funeral was held at 2 p. m. Saturday from the family home with interment in the Centerville Presbyterian Cemetery. Mr. Harry Cross of Oakland officiated.

MEN'S LEAGUE SUPPER.

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On Sunday evening, March 11th, the Men's League will have a supper at the Congregational Church at 6 o'clock, adjourning in time to hear Mr. Thomas H. Reed of San Jose At this banquet election of officers and plans for the coming year will be presented. All men of the community are urged to be present. Fuller particulars next week.

Next Sunday morning Rev. Gill will preach the third of his series of sermons on the general subject of the church. The theme will be "The Church that Worshipped a Book." Sunday School will be held at 10:00 a. m. and preaching service will be held in the evening at 7:30.

TAKES AWAY SOUVENIRS

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Henry Dillion of Newark has decided not to be so kind hearted the next time he is visited by an unfortunate knight of the road. Incidentally there's a reason, and a fairly good one at that.

Last week Mr. Dillion picked up a gentleman of leisure who claimed to be anxious to work—somebody. Mr. Dillion put him to work.

Monday the gentleman walked away, accompanied by a pair of shoes, vest trousers, and $13 cash belonging to Mr. Dillion. Constable Joe Soito was notified Tuesday morning but the errant one had had a fourteen hour start and his capture was quite out of the question.

WAR BREAKS OUT IN PEACEFUL VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON

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The war situation is a matter of secondary interest in Irvington these days. All the town is in arms. Patriotic citizens are polishing their firearms and cleaning up their Fords and are arraying themselves, clad for the fray, on the one side or the other. The objective is not a school election, either. The question of the hour is: "Who is to be postmaster?"

Recently, apparently in settlement of this matter, a civil service examination was held. Mr. Frank Reynolds, incumbent, took the examination and passed it with the highest average of all the candidates. Apparently he was to succeed himself.

Then it became known that the successful aspirant would be chosen from the three highest in the examination. It was also rumored that Mr. Chas. Bez was slated for the job. Since which time Irvington has begun to prepare for the coming battle.

Mr. Reynolds has been a consistent been a Democrat. At the last election, however, it is pointed out that Mr Bez registered not as a Democrat, but as a Republican. Mr. Bez is now, therefor, if the statement be not incorrect, a Republican. He has been a Democrat. So he is qualified, politically, for the position, by membership in both parties.

Mr. Reynolds' friends are up in arms, however, and if Mr. Bez should be selected in spite of Mr Reynolds' superior qualifications, according to the civil service examination, it is safe to predict that Europe will seem like a tempest in a teapot as compared with the warfare to be waged in the quiet little village of Irvington.

NATIONAL ORANGE DAY MARCH 10

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Orange Day, which has become an annual fruit festival occurring early in March, marks the period of greatest orange production. This day is set aside as one of recognition to the fruit that has come to occupy such an important position in the diet of the nation. March 10th will be observed everywhere somewhat in the nature of a Thanksgiving day for oranges. In the cities the large hotels will offer special range Day dishes, not only on the day itself but during the entire week preceding.

The Southern Pacific railroad and other large railway systems everywhere throughout the country will celebrate the event by making special mention of thehrrrretaoshrdlyu cial mention of it on all dining car, hotel and restaurant menu cards and by serving orange dishes and orange juice. Southern Pacific folders and advertisements make mention of Orange Day and posters will be placed on all station and steamer bulletin boards. Traffic representatives of the company throughout the East are undertaking to secure the cooperation of hotels, restaurants, groceries and fruit stores.

TALK OF FIRE DISTRICT

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There is some discussion in Centerville concerning the probable establishment of a fire district. The matter was being talked about last year but high tax rate squashed the idea. This year's prosperous outlook seems to be holding encouragement, at least to discussion and possibly out of discussion may come action.

Coming Events

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**MRCH 10. Saturday. National Orange Day.

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**MARCH 10 Saturday. Baseball. Oakland Hi at Washington Hi. Centerville.

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**MARCH 17. Saturday. Charity Ball in evening. Nevis Pavilion, Pleasanton.

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**MARCH 17. Saturday. C. A. C. A. L. Baseball. Hayward Hi vs Washington Hi at Centerville. First game of series.

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EDITORIAL

The Press is now entering upon a new era and we ask the cooperation of the people of the township in making the Press a better local newspaper. While we are now better equipped than formerly to handle any class of job work that may come our way, it is the newspaper end that we are specially anxious to build up. There are numberless opportunities for us to serve the community if we can only secure the necessary support to pay for the service. We want all the local news we can handle and we need all the subscriptions we can get to make the paper pay its way So we are going to ask the people of the township to make the paper a better paper. See that the paper gets your local item in time but see that it gets it. Leave it at any of our local agencies. Mail it to us at Niles by Wednesday to insure its publication.

There are hundreds of people in the township whom we would like to have as subscribers. With an adequate list we can greatly improve the paper. We want to do our part. Give us the chance.

Every week new movements are developing on the water question which demonstrate that the organization of our water district came none too soon. At the present time a number of insidious attacks are being made on our district law which if successful will undo all the work that has been done .It is necessary for us to be on the job all the time. We believe that the Press has shown what an independent unpurchasable paper, if only a little country weekly, can accomplish. We have had to face a hard situation to stand pat for the small home owners of this township and it is no easy road yet and will not be for a long time to come. We need a much more effective support to keep up the fight and we hope the small land owners for whom we have in the past sought to bring protection, will rally to the paper's support. The only way the paper can be kept free to serve the community is for popular support. Subscriptions are what count .

Every day brings us new encouragement from people who have learned the justice of the cause of the people of this township but we can not take advantage of many of the opportunities to promote the cause of our section because we are not free. With the paper paying its own way as it ought to do, we could do much more effective work. We feel we can earn good dividends for this township besides giving you a good local paper What we need most is the support of the people for whose rights the Press is fighting. We are not looking for personal favors nor political reward. We want only to serve effectively.

For a long time the Press was the only paper in the county that emphasized the need of public action on the water supply question. In fact we were often charged with not writing on anything else. Now the water question is becoming the really big public question in Alameda county and the present year promises to see some very important developments in connection with this question. The present hearing before the State Railroad Commission is bearing fruit. It is bringing out the facts and the sentiment in the East Bay cities is rapidly growing in favor of the public ownership of the water supply. The work of the past five years is bearing fruit and now nearly all the newspapers are giving a great deal of attention to the question

There is a splendid opportunity for our own district to get in some good work in shwing the harm that has been done, is being done and will be done in the future by permitting the county's water resources to be seized and exploited by private corporations. Our district has an opportunity never before presented to get the attentive ear of the rest of the county. We ought to avail ourselves of this opportunity.

AT THE CHURCHES

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Niles, California

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H. H. GILL, Minister
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Church services, 11:00 a. m.
Evening service, 7:30 p. m.

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ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
CENTERVILLE

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REV. F. C. MURGOTTEN, Minister
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Kindergarten, 11:00 a. m.
Morning Service, 11:00 a. m.
First Sunday of the month, evening service, 7:45 p. m.

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CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH

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Niles, California
Mass at 9:30 a. m. each Sunday.
Decoto, California
Mass at 11:00 a. m.

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HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Centerville, California
Father A. M. Souza, pastor.
Father S. F. Baron, asst, pastor.
Mass daily at 7:00 and 7:30 a. m.
Sunday — Mass at 8 a. m. and 10:50 a. m. Benediction and sermon at 7:30.

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Irvington, California
H. V. WHITE, Minister
Sunday School.
Preaching Services.

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Newark, California
James Curry, D.D., Pastor.
Preaching services at 11 and 7:45 o'clock. Christian Endeavor meeting 6:30 p. m. Sabbath School 9:45 p. m., Prayer meeting, Wednesday 7:30 p.m., Ladies Aid first and third Wednesday afternoon each month, Missionary Society last Fridays at 2:30 p. m.

THE REAL CRIMINALS.

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In all the agitation against the present extortionate prices of food products the attention of our people is not sufficiently cncentrated on the real crimmals. Instead of going after the retailer or even the wholesaler, we ought to go after the stock gamblers in Wall Street and the other financial centers where the real corners are built up. These men who know only the game of money manipulation and to whom the hardship and misery of millions of people are callously and indifferently considered are the real criminals in the high price epidemic that now afflicts the nation. It is for them we are on the verge of war, it is for them we are piling up our immense cost of armament in navy and army. Going after the small retailer or the little larger wholesaler, ,planting potatoes in the back yard, establishing a municipal flour mill as Berkeley people are proposing are all merely scratching the surface. If the mobs of hungry women would go after the various stock exchanges of the country they would be getting nearer the real source of the misery of our people.

THE FARMERS' ANSWER.

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The following resolutions from the California Peach Growers Association contain arguments which will apply also to the Apricot and Prune Growers Association recently organized We recommend the reading of the resolutions as they meet fully the specious argument usually set up against farmers' organizations.

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Resolutions.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the California Peach Growers, Inc., at Fresno, February 19, 1917.

Whereas it has come to the attention of the trustees and directors of the California Peach Growers, Incorporated, that criticisms and strictures on this association, emanating from a very high authority, to-wit: State Senator Brown, of Los Angeles, have had wide publicity, and

Whereas we know that the organizers of this association were actuated by a sincere desire for the public good, as well as for the protection of a very useful industry, which was threatened with extermination, we deem it our duty to put ourselves on record, in answer to Senator Brown's criticism, as follows:

Senator Brown objects to the California Market Director directing his activities to the formation of growers' cooperative associations,assuming that these associations are organized wholly for the benefit of the prducer, with the inevitable result of raising the prices of commodities to the consumer. Were this entirely true, it might be argued that inasmuch as ninetenths of the products referred to are consumed outside of the State of California, it would be profitable, from a California standpoint, to pay a salary of $5000.00 a year for the purpose of securing many millions, in increased prices of our commodities, sold outside of the state. But as a matter of fact with the raisin and peach associations, while the producers' prices were increased, it is also true that the consumers' costs were not made higher. The only parties injured were speculating middle men, who operated to depress the price to the producer and enhance it to the consumer. The records in regard to raisins, dried peaches and other commodities, incontestibly prove that with an average increase of from 33 1-3 to 50 percent to the producer, the consumer actually gets the goods at as low, if not a lower price than formerly.

Senator Brown speaks of these cooperative selling companies as interfering with the free operation of the laws of supply and demand. As a matter of fact, we know that the laws of supply and demand in California products, as well as in the marketing of most commodities, have not been in free and unhampered operation for several decades. In the matter of marketing peaches, with which particular subject this company is most familiar, the laws of supply and demand were not in free operation, prior to the time of our organization. On the contrary, a combination of buyers, who control the only channels by which the commodities could reach the market, in large quantities, artificially depressed by various methods, the buying from the producer to such an extent that thousands of acres of very valuable peach orchards were being rooted up and destroyed or abandoned, to the incalculable loss of the industry an dthe state. The organization of the California Peach Growers, Inc., simply gives the grower a selling combination with which to deal with the buying combination, so that as far as the laws of supply and demand are concerned, they are rather restored nd made operative, by the organization of this company, than otherwise.

Nearly all commodities are controlled, as to price, by some combination, at some point along the line from the producer to the retailer, and in this age of combinations, (labor, capitalistic and trade) the laws of supply and demand are only so far operative as that when the trust advances the price to a prohibitive figure, purchasing ceases. But in any other respect than this (that the buyer will not pay more than the traffic will bear) the laws of supply and demand have long ceased to operate. If manufacturers, financiers, transportation companies, working men and all other factors in the industrial world combine, it is time that the agricultural producers of the country should combine, too, so that while paying combination prices for everything they consume, they will be able to get reasonable prices for commodities they produce.

Society cannot return to the era of unrestricteed competition, without foregoing the advantages that steam, electricity and organization have conferred upon it, so that the demand should be rather that each organization should be able to vindicate its own right to existence, and the righteousness of its course, rather than to attempt the impossible, in denying organization entirely.

That the California Peach Growers, Inc., are justified in organizing we confidently affirm, and for proof of our affirmation we appeal to the record, which shows that for three years previous to the existence of the company the prices for peaches were so low as to be entirely unremunerative, with the result that the industry was being ruined, while at the same time, the retail prices, in the large cities of the East, for peaches, were so high as to place the fruit beyond the reach of the poorer, or even the middle class people. On the other hand, the record of one year f the existence f the company shows that the farmers have received a price sufficient to encourage them to continue in the business, while the average price to the consumer is no higher than formerly. With this record, we believe that the organizers of the company are amply vindicated, and Senator Brown will find enlightenment and instruction in the study of the record and experiences of California farmers' cooperative selling companies.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions beforwarded to Senator Brown f Ls Angeles, and that his attentin be respectfully called to the statements and arguments contained herein, in the hope and expectation that he will have a more full and just understanding of the purposes and accomplishments of this company, and of kindred organizations.

CARD OF THANKS.

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We, the undersigned, express our thanks for the kindness and assistance of many friends in our late bereavement, the loss of our beloved mother, Mrs. Clara Slayton.

LEAH CHAPMAN,
OSMAN SLAYTON,
ELIZABETH MACKINTOSH,
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In the Superior Court of the County of Alameda, State of California.

In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph Oliver, who was also known as Jose de Oleveira Conde, deceased.

Notice is hereby given, that a petition for the probate of the will of Joseph Oliver, who was also known as Jose de Oleveira Conde, deceased, and for the issuance to John Oliver of letters testamentary thereon has been filed in this Court, and that **Tuesday, the 13th day of March, A. D. 1917,** at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Courtroom of Department of No. 4, of said Court, at the Court House in the City of Oakland, in said County of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition and proving said will, and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated, February 16th, 1917.
GEO. E. GROSS, Clerk.
By W. E. Adams Deputy Clerk.
Endorsed: Filed, February 16, 1917 Geo. E. Gross, Clerk. By W. E. Adams, Deputy.
Jno. G. Mattos, Jr., attorney for petitoner Centerville Cal. 2-24-5t

No. 22425 Dept. 4

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

In the Matter of the Estate of JANE STEVENSON, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Executor of the Last Will and Testament of JANE STEVENSON, deceased, to all persons having claims against the said deceased, to file them with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, within ten months after the first publication of this notice, or to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, wthin ten months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Executor, at the office of Thomas C. Huxley, Rooms 1101-1110 Union Savings Bank Building, Northeast corner of Broadway and Thirteenth Street, in the City of Oakland, California, which office the undersigned selects as his place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

EUGENE H. STEVENSON,
Executor of the Last Will and Testament of JANE STEVENSON, deceased.
Dated: Oakland, February 14, 1917.
Thomas C. Huxley,
Attorney for the Estate,
Union Savings Bank Building,
Oakland, California.
First Publication Feb. 17, 1917.

NO. 22371.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA.

In the Matter of the Estate of JOSEPH FREITAS who was also known as JOSEPH FRATES and also as JOSEPH FREITAS FRAGUEIRO, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Executrix of the last will and testament of the above named deceased, to all persons having claims against said deceased to, within four (4) months after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Alameda or exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, to me at the office of Jno. G. Mattos, Jr., at Centerville, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

MARIA FREITAS,
Executrix of the last will and testament of JOSEPH FREITAS who was also known as JOSEPH FRATES and JOSEPH FREITAS FRAGUEIRO, deceased.

Dated: February 14, 1917.

Jno. G. Mattos, Jr.
Attorney for executrix,
Centerville, California.
Date of first publication, Feb. 17, 1917.

LODGE MEETINGS

NILES LODGE, NO. 382, I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday evening at Niles
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M. H. LEWIS, Clerk.
M. S. ALMAIDA, Banker.

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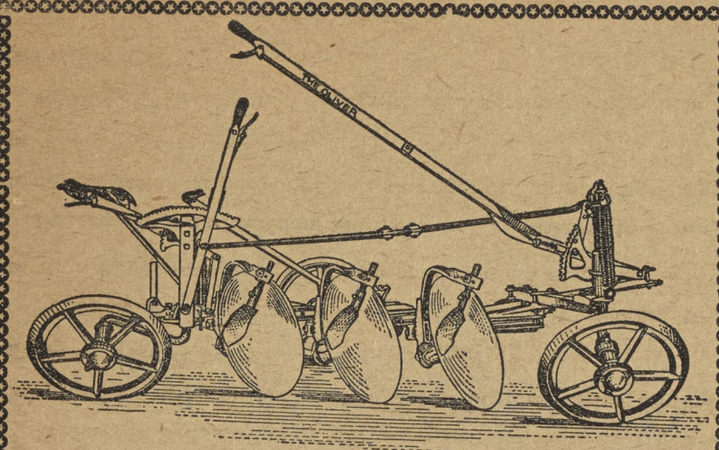

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The fllowing note in explanation was received at our office this week Tuesday:

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Editor, Washington Press: Dear Sir. Some of the ladiees of Pleasanton are giving a Charity Ball on the 17th of March and we hope you will give us a little boost in your paper.

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The Old Candlemas St. Valentine party given by Rev. and Mrs. Robert Rogers in honor of the parents of the Alvarado and Centerville Sunday schools on the evening of February 14, 1917, was a most beautiful social event, and uplifting and pleasing in spirit. For the white church and manse located among the large beautiful shade trees was just the place for an Old Candlemas or St. Valentine party.

The church and manse were beautifully decorateed for the parents who were guests of honor, with white and red hearts, white blossoms, asters and other white flowers banked in masses of pepper ferns, interspersed with large white candles. All the electric lights were covered with white and pink soft paper and green ferns which gave a beautiful soft light in the rooms, bringing out the pure white bright light of the burning candles The organ was covered with white folewrs and candles; and two long tables were decorated with whitee flowers, ferns and candles in cut glass candlesticks. The table in the church was in honor of the parents. The one in the manse was in honor of the young people. Both tables, decorated with white flowers, green ferns and burning unshaded candles were beautiful in their aspect.

The program was a treat to all. Leading talent of the township took part, including Mrs. Richmond, Mrs. Havens, Miss Wills, Miss Spence Spencer, little Catharine Overacker, Miss Lyle and Prof. Thomas Creed. Rev Rogers gave the address of welcome. In all twelve numbers were enjoyed, and eevery one at the party hoped to have the pleasure of hearing the talented friends again.

Members of the two churches assisted Rev. and Mrs. Rogers on the reception committee and eevery one was made to feel at home. Those who helped were Prof. and Mrs. Wright, Mrs. G. Lowrie, Mrs Ames, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Mickles, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. W. A. Yates, Mrs. Overacker, Mrs. Jung, Miss Millie Jung, Miss Richmond, Miss Day and Mr. and Mrs. A. Logan.

Many others of both Sunday schools helped. Miss Ina Bell was Third century queeen and had the responsibility of telling each guest his fate She took her part with third century grace, assisted by her sister, Miss Rilla Bell. The young people had a most delightful time at her candy den and every one was willing to enter into the old century customs and all kinds of new games were enjoyed by young and old. Young people always love hunts, and so the large yard was used for the Valentine hunt an dthe sweet heart hunt. The guest finding the Valentine had to give each one a Valentine. Miss Ford of Alvarado found the "sweet hearts." They were tiny candy sweet hearts; and she had to give a heart to each guest and had but one left when she departeed for home.

Afteer the games a group of pretty young ladies waited on the tables. Each guest was served with Candelmas angel cake and a dainty dish of snow whitee ice cream. The tables with the white flowers, green ferns, white burning candles and happy guests, made a lovely picture and will be remembereed for a long time by all who were present.

Candelmas was observed originally February 2nd, in the third century and later in sme parts of England, Scot land and Ireland Old Candelmas, St. Valentine's day, which brught over some of the customs of Candelmas,, was inaugurated in honor of St. Valentine, a bishop of the third century, who was noteed for his love and charity. It is said that he gave gifts to the poor on this day, the 14th of February, which has been observed in his honor. It is supposed by some that the custom of giving Valentines and gifts was started by him, and the burning of candles wase used to drive away evil spirits. Many more third century day affairs are planned and some of them will be held in the Centerville and Alvarado Presbyterian churches.

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Vincnt Perry, the 16-year-old son of S Perry, former Southern Pacific railroad section foreman at Decoto, died near Chicago Wednesday of last week. With his parents he was on a visit to relatives near Chicago, and according to a letter received from his father, Vincent contracted the measles and a complication of pneumonia resulted and caused his death. He was a member of the Eighth grade of the Decoto school and was a very diligent and obedient boy. The news of his death was a great shock to his schoolmates from whom he had gone but a few weeks before in the full vigor of boyhood. The parents and brothers and sister have the sincere sympathy of all in their great bereavement.

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Albert Silva who has been a prominent resident of Decoto for many years and who was obliged to go to New Mexico last winter fr his health, is at present suffering with a very badly poisoned hand caused by a slight injury. He is at present being treated by Dr. Buteau of Oakland.

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Henry Richards, the three-year-old son of Henry Richards of Decoto, died in Alameda last Sunday, death resulting from an injury in an automobile accident several months ago.

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Mrs Minnie Rose was operated on this week for ear trouble at a hospital in Oakland.

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Born: To the wife of M. Betteatte in Hayward, February 26, a son. Mrs. Betteatte was formerly May Martin of Decoto.

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Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Videll who were married two weeks ago, have taken up their residence in Elmhurst. Mrs. Videll was formerly Mary Silva, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Silva of Decoto. She is a graduate of the Decoto school and has many friends in Decoto where she is highly esteemed.

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The Decoto school reopened this week with a much better attendance and it is hoped now that school may continue without interruption till the end of the school term.

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Henry May who was one of the party on the recent Farm Bureau tour, reports having had a very pleasant and profitable trip despite the rain.

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Several new residence buildings are promised for Decoto during the coming summer. A new hoteel is talked of although the plans for it have not yet materialized.

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The Victor Incubator Co. reports a good business at preesent in both incubators and brooders. Most of the orders are coming from the southern part of the state.

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Decoto people are interested in the proposed new water supply which J. C. Shinn of Niles has under consideration. Decoto needs it badly.

NEWARK

NEWARK, February 27, 1917—A "Children's Service" is to be held in the Presbyterian Church of Newark next Sabbath morning, March 4.th. Dr. Curry will preach a sermon for children especially, and appropriate hymns will be sung by a Sbbath School choir with violin and piano accompaniment. Parents are urged to come with their children to this service.

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The Christian Endeavor Society gave a George Washington social on Friday evening, February 23, and notwithstanding the storm there was a goodly attendance and pleasant social time.

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Mr. J L. Bunker, principal of the grammar school, has moved into the cottage owned by Mr. L. Christensen on the corner of Olive street and Thornton avenue.

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Mr. W. C. Graham, one of the directors of the Alameda County Farm Bureau, was absent last week at a meeting of the District Farm Bureaus, and with them on an extended automo bile trip through Northern California.

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One of Newark's pioneer residents passed away Sunday morning in the death of M. P. Silva. Deceased was 72 years of age, and had lived in Newark for over twenty years, where he was in business until a few years ago, since which time he has been retired. His death was the result of a short illness with pneumonia. The funeral was held Tuesday morning from the Centerville Catholic church, with interment at the Centerville Catholic cemetery. The deceased is survived by a widow, two sons, Tony and Manuel Silva, and one daughter, Marie Silva.

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Miss Thelma Keilholz and Mrs. L. A. White were city visitors Sunday.

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Quite a crowd of local rooters are expected to make the trip to San Leandro Sunday to back up the Newark team in its game there. Newark and San Leandro played a 1-1 seventeen-inning tie two weeks ago last Sunday and a great game is looked for this week.

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Joe Raymond has been on the sick list for several days

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The recent storm interrupted railroad traffic to San Jose temporarily over the week-end. From Friday to Monday all trains between Newark and San Jose were forced to go through Niles, the bridge at Alviso having been washed out by the flood waters.

ALVARADO

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The heavy storm brought on an ald fashioned flood and as a result, there is much rejoicing over the prospects for the coming year.

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Many of the town people motored through the water to home of Mr. E. A. Richmond to celebrate his birthday on the eevning the 22nd

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The Grayson Owen Co. has been feeding over 2000 head of cattle on beet pulp for the past few months.

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Mrs. Emma R Ford and son Donald returned from Ione, after a week's visit with her mother and brother.

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A number of the local Endeavorers attended the Palestine Pageant in Oakland a week ago Saturday evening.

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Miss Lyle, Miss Bunker and Mr. Creed, the local teachers, and Mrs. W. S. Robie entertained a large gathering of friends at the hall Saturday evening a week ago.

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PERSONAL NEWS

NILES

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Word has been received from the management of the Ellison-White Chautauqua System that the entertainers engaged for the Niles circuit will be with us May 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, six whole days of music, instruction and pleasure generally. Below are listed some of the attractions that will be presented:

Lo Zito's Royal Venetian Band, The Wassers Co., Military Girls' Orchestra, Swiss Alpine Yodlers, Lyric Male Quartette, Fillion Concert Party.

Among the speakers will be Senator James E Vardaman, Wm. A. Bone, Dr. Andrew Johnson, Dr. G. Whitfield Ray, Wood Briggs, W. L. Mellinger, Lorine Wiswell Wilson, Frances Hendry, Mary Adel Hays.

"The Mawson Antarctic Expedition," Sir Douglas Mawson's own lecture, illustrated by the most remarkable motion pictures ever taken, is another.

There will be twelve people more this spring which gives us assurance of a better and more varied program than was offered at that time.

Let's all keep the date in mind—May 20th—come in early to the ticket office and "avoid the rush"

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Tony Cambria was given a very pleasant birthday surprise at his home in Niles last Saturday evening by his sister, Mrs. J Krail of Oakland. Quite a number of friends came down by machine, about forty guests in all being present.

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Mrs. Belle Abernethy has been a [illegible] at Belvoir for the past month.

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G. G. Watters of Burlngame, formerly of Niles, accompanied C. H. Congdon of San Mateo on his trip through the Santa Clara Valley and to Washington Township Wednesday. Mr. Watters was with Ellis Bros. while in Niles. He is in business in Burlingame.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn and family returned last Saturday after a stay of six weeks in Carmel. They found much of the State Highway between Gilroy and San Jose covered with the flood waters.

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Mrs. Chittenden and Miss DeCora write of thrilling experiences in visiting the crater of Kilauea in the Sandwich Islands. The volcano is said to be unusually active at the present time.

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Mr. and Mrs. J C. Shinn motored to San Francisco Wednesday and enjoyed La Boheme as given by the Boston Grand Opera Co. at the Columbia Theater.

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Paul Donovan, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. George Donovan, underwent a quite serious mastoid operation on Tuesday of this week at the Columbia hospital in San Jose. Master Donovan was forced to undergo a similar operation seven years ago this month. He is reported as doing as nicely as culd be expected.

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A meeting of the Niles branch of the Oakland Baby Hospital Association was held at Belvoir last Tuesday afternoon. The Niles members present were Brs. Plummer, Mrs. Thane, Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Whipple

Other ladies from Oakland, whose names we did not learn, were in attendance. An early luncheon was served at the hotel after which the meeting ad journed to spen dthe afternoon at Mrs. Eberley's in sewing for the hospital.

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The Niles Woman's Club at its last meeting started the discussion of the proposition of opening up Second street clear through from K street to the Victory Motor Co. Works. The idea is being talked around town with the men and it is not improbable that it will culminate in action as the Niles Woman's Club includes an energetic body of workers, who usually get what they start out after.

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Niles will someday be a city beautiful. This week the courthouse corner, which is owned by Mr. W. V. Eberly, became surrounded by five European Sycamore trees, planted under the direction of Mr. W. B. Kirk of the California Nursery Co.

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Ben Murphy is quoted with the prophetic remark that Christmas this year will fall on December 25.

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Frank Maria was convicted by Judge Richmond Friday of last week upon the charge of disturbing the peace and was sentenced to ten days in the county jail.

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The Native Sons of the Golden West enjoyed a most enjoyable evening on last Thursday week with a whist party to which they had invited a number of their lady friends. The committee in charge of the affair included Messrs Leland Stivers and Ben Murphy. The prizes for highest score went to Mrs. E. B. Tyson and Mr. Ben Murphy.

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The Native Daughters are planning a whist tounrament for March 10 to which the public is invited and at which an admission of twenty-five cents wil be charged.

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Mrs. M. Cadwallader of Berkeley has been spending a few days in Niles this week as the guest of Mrs. L. J. Duffy.

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Our genial friend, Mr. Ben Robinson, chauffeur for our company officers, had the misfortune to break his wrist in cranking his machine a few days ago. All of Ben's friends—and hes has as many as he has acquaintances—are wishing for him a speedy recovery which is expected for when last seen, though his arm was in splints and for the time quite useless, he was smiling and cheerful as usual.

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The Niles Bridge Club met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. E. B. Tyson, Mrs. Mayhew being hostesses. Mrs. Ellsworth substituted for Mrs. Moyer who is still in attendance on her two young daughters at the hospital in Oakland. The usual social hour was enjoyed at the luncheon table, after which cards followed from 2 to 4 p. m. Mrs. Overacker and Mrs. Hatch made highest scores for the afternoon. The next meeting will be held on the second Tuesday in March at the home of Mrs. Fern Grene

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Women's Guild met in Congregational Church on Wednesday afternoon, February 28th. The afternoon was spent in fancy work.

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Miss Alta Sims of San Jose has been teaching at the Ward School for Miss Muriel Plummer this last week, as Miss Plumbmer is not yet sufficiently recovered from her illness to resume her duties.

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The little play given by the Niles Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. H. B. Ellsworth last week Thursday, was done so well and so much enjoyed by those who were present, that the friends of the club members are asking to have it repeated

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Mrs. Hatch of Niles Glen is recovering from an unfortunate attack of

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Mrs. Garigue, her daughter, Miss Dorothy, and Miss Allen—all from Berkeley—were guests at Belvoir for two or three days, during the week. poison oak. This is the season of the year when the pestiferous shrub gets in its active work.

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Mrs. Melville Bowman's sister, Miss Hinckley, is a guest at Belvoir.

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Mrs. J. Alberg and Mrs. Snyder were hostesses, serving coffee and sandwiches.

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Little Miss Gertrude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ellsworth, is recovering from an attack of whooping cough

CENTERVILLE

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A surprise awaited the Artisans on Thursday evening. After business was over the new entertainment committee, Mrs. G. Mathiesen and Mrs. C. Thompson, invited the members to the homie of Mrs. Mathiesen. A table was found all ready in true George Washington colors and appropriate place cards. After the dainty refreshments whist was indulged in. Those fortunate enough reserve souvenirs of the day filled with candy.

The officers for the ensuing six months are as follows:

P. M. A., J. Overacker; M. A., Fleda Bunting; Superintendent, Dr. Ormsby; Inspector, Margaret Overacker; Secretary, Christine Hurd; Treasurer, Frank T. Hawes; Senior Conductor, Mary Mathiesen; M. C., Walter Wyatt; Junior Conductor, Adelia Rogers; Warden, George Mathiesen; Instructor, Clara Thompson.

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Farm Adviser Lee was in Centerville Tuesday this week. There was no evening meeting of the local Farm Bureau this month on account of the two conferences and tour of the Farm Bureau representatives and farm advisers of the state

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Doctor and Mrs. James Curry of Newark were guests at a dinner given at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Rogers on Washington's Birthday

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Percy Bell has been enjoying a few days' visit with his folks in Centerville. He is employed as assistant civil engineer for the Dyer Construction Company at Manteca, and has a very fine position.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. Salz returned Monday evening from their trip to San Diego and the southern part of the state.

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J B. Clark is back on the job running his auto stage between Centerville ad Oakland. Elizabeth has a brand new Easter bonnet. Mr. Clark has a new closed Ford with a limousine top and it is certainly a most comfortable and attractive stage.

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Miss Ina Bell was in San Jose Tuesday in order to have her eyes treated.

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Mrs. Peter Mathiesen entertained the Sweet Sixteen Club at cards on Thursday afternoon.

IRVINGTON

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Miss Gertrude Horn left for Stockton Tuesday to accept a position in a millinery store. Her brother Roy, now a resident of Stockton, underwent an operation for appendicitis Monday. He is reported as doing very nicely.

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Miss L. Cunningham entertained a number of the young set Friday evening of last week at the home of her sister Mrs. Durham. Those present included: the Misses Gertrude and Margaret Horn, Viola and June Millard, and Messrs Will Raymond, Jack Benbow, Herald Millard, Raymond Copeland and Ralph Mehrman.

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Mr. R. Catten of San Francisco visited with L. Millard the week end.

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Miss Hazel Riley has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. E. Hirsch.

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Mr. Leslie Sturtevant is improving slowly after his severe illness.

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Mrs. Dr. Grimmer has been sick for the past week. Her mother, Mrs. Nellis, is taking care of her.

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Mrs. E Hirsch has been sick for the past week with the quincy sore throat.

MISSION

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Father Kennedy was a San Jose visitor Wednesday of this week

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We want your news, written in an interesting fashion and as early in the week as you ca send it. We thank you for it, and will gladly furnish copy paper.

WARM SPRINGS

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A. A. Azevedo was a visitor in San Jose Wednesday of this week.

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